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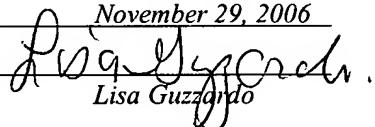
For: DEVICE AND SYSTEM FOR PRODUCING  
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HAVING DIFFERENT VISCOSITY IN  
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Sir:

In order to fulfill the requirements of candor and good faith set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicant submits herewith the following Information Disclosure Statement in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and §1.98.

**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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Europe	EP0578934 A1	January 19, 1994
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**NON-PATENT PUBLICATIONS**

F. Lim, et al., *Microencapsulated Islets as Bioartificial Endocrine Pancreas*, Science Magazine, vol. 210, 1980, pages 908-910

A copy of each of the above-cited references is provided. PCT Publication No. WO00/47906 and European Publication No. EP0899017 are in English, European Publication No. EP0578934 is in German, Japanese Publication No. 08-232913 is in Japanese, and European Publication No. EP0367142 is in German. English translations of EP0578934 and EP0367142 are not available. An English abstract of these documents is provided. An English abstract (i.e., Patent Abstract of Japan) is submitted herewith for the Japanese document listed. A full English translation of the Japanese patent document is also included.

Also submitted herewith is a copy of the International Search Report, in English, received in the corresponding PCT application (No. PCT/EP2005/001892, filed on February 23, 2005) on which this present application is based.

Accordingly, in view of the present submission, it is now believed that the present application is in all respects complete and in condition for examination on the merits.

If the Examiner has any questions or comments relating to the present application, he or she is respectfully invited to contact Applicant's attorney at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,

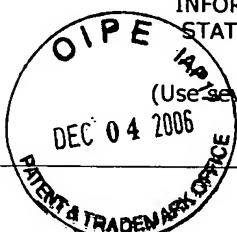


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